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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
MARTIN GOLDBERG) Examiner: Jezia Riley
Serial No. 10/722,032) Art Unit: 1637
Filed: November 25, 2003)
For: SUBSTRATE PREPARATION PROCESS)))
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 15, 2005

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 15, 2005, which sets a one month for response until October 15, 2005.

Applicant hereby requests an extension of time for one month until November 15, 2005, and is concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time for one month accompanied by the government fee. If for any reason the formal request for extension of time is not associated with this response or any fees are required to maintain the pendency of this application, including any extension of time fees, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 01-0431.

In the Office Action dated September 15, 2005, it was stated that Applicants have not provided a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.57(f). In response, the undersigned hereby states that, as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.57(f), the material inserted into the specification at page 16, lines

29-30, in the Amendment filed June 28, 2005, is the material previously incorporated by reference and that the amendment contains no new matter.

If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the below telephone number.

Respectfully submitted, AFFYMETRIX, INC.

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AMENDMENT AND SUPPLEMENT TO REQUEST FOR INTERFERENCE

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments provided as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.